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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, before line 1, please insert

--This application is a Continuation of International Application Serial No.

PCT/JP00/04105, filed on June 22, 2000--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

--16. (Amended) An N-type calcium channel antagonist comprising a

dihydropyridine derivative or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1 as an active ingredient.